

## News Release

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## Public information meeting on Missouri River Authorized Purposes Study to be held in Bismarck

**OMAHA, Neb.** – A public information regarding the Missouri River Authorized Purposes Study is being sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Bismarck, N.D., Wednesday, April 28 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel, 605 E. Broadway Avenue.

Representatives from the Corps will conduct the meeting, which will consist of a presentation regarding the study process and the relationship between the study and the Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee. Following the presentation, members of the public will be allowed to ask questions.

The public information meeting is **not** part of the formal scoping meetings. Those meetings will begin this summer. They will help define the size and shape of the study. Advance notice of the dates and sites for the scoping meetings will be announced later this spring.

The Corps has been directed by Congress to conduct a review of the original purposes established by the 1944 Flood Control Act. The goal of the multi-year study is to determine if changes in the eight purposes are warranted. These purposes are flood control, hydropower, water supply, irrigation, navigation, recreation, water quality and fish and wildlife. Infrastructure operated by both the Corps and Bureau of Reclamation is included in the study.

Additional information on the authorized purposes study is available at <a href="www.mraps.org">www.mraps.org</a>.